

Good Agricultural Practices/Good Handling Practices for Cantaloupe Producers Training



Maryland Department of Agriculture

Downstairs Conference Rooms

50 Harry S. Truman Parkway

Annapolis, MD 21401

July 15, 2013

9:00am - 4:00pm

The Maryland Department of Agriculture (MDA) and the University of Maryland (UMD) will conduct training for cantaloupe producers who want to learn more about implementing good agricultural practices (GAPs) and good handling practices (GHPs).

Topics to be covered include:

- 2011 Colorado cantaloupe outbreak
- Basics of GAP/GHP
 - Water Quality Issues
 - Wildlife/Livestock Issues
 - Compost/Manure Use
 - Worker Hygiene
 - Post Harvest Washing, Packing and Cooling
 - Environmental Assessments for Microbial Contamination
- Food Safety Plan Writing
 - Producers are encouraged to bring their own laptops
 - Laptops will be provided for use by those who cannot bring one
- MDA/U of MD GAP/GHP Assistance Programs
- FDA Requirements/Proposed Food Safety Modernization Act

Training registration fee is \$20 per person which includes lunch and training materials.

Make checks payable and mail to MDA, FQAP, 50 Harry S Truman Parkway, Annapolis, MD 21401 with the registration form. Registration must be received by July 12, 2013.

Contact: Sherry Weygant at 410-841-5769 or Sherry.Weygant@maryland.gov

REGISTRATION FORM

Farm/Producer Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Participant Name(s) and Titles: _____